

Declaration of Compliance Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 – POP's

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1. Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 of the European Parliament and of the Council imposes restrictions on the production and use of 'Persistent Organic Pollutants' (hereinafter 'POP' substances).

These are certain organic substances including industrial products, unwanted by-products and pesticides that remain in the environment persistently, accumulate through the food chain and pose a risk to human health and the environment.

This Regulation of the European Union, which applies the provisions established worldwide by the Aaurhus Protocol (1998), subsequently by the Stockholm Convention (2001), imposes:

- (Art. 3) prohibition of manufacture, placing on the market and use for "POP" substances as such
 or as components of mixtures/articles included in Annex I, updated to Regulation (EU)
 2024/2570.
- (Art. 7) waste control measures with concentration limits for substances included in Annex IV, updated to Regulation (EU) 2022/2400.
- 2. The control of raw materials, scrap and ferroalloys, and the characteristic metallic nature of the steel produced allow us to exclude the presence in our articles of substances subject to prohibitions or limitations, referred to in Annexes I and IV of the European POPs Regulation.
- For what has been said so far, we can affirm our compliance with Regulation (EU) 2019/1021, updated to Regulation (EU) 2024/2570 (Annex I) and Regulation (EU) 2022/2400 (Annex IV), on persistent organic pollutants "POPs".
- 4. For future updates of this assessment, we keep a constant focus on the raw materials we use, our production cycle and the evolution of the applicable legislation.

This "Declaration of Compliance", relating to the obligations prescribed by Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 and subsequent amendments (POP) is issued under the sole responsibility of ORI MARTIN S.p.A.

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